

October 4, 2016

**BY CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING  
DOCKET NUMBER E-22305**

**CLINTON COUNTY**

Central Iowa Power Cooperative (CIPCO or Petitioner), a public utility with its principal place of business at 1400 Highway 13 SE, PO Box 2517, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52406, is proposing to build an electric transmission line in Clinton and Jackson Counties that will be capable of operating at 69,000 volts in the Delmar, Iowa area. This notice relates to the portion of the line to be located in Clinton County. The need for the line was determined as a result of planning studies done in the area. This line has been approved in the 2017 construction work plan. The result of this new line will be more reliable service to the consumer members in the area. The electric transmission line is proposed to be constructed along the route described below and depicted on the enclosed map. It would be constructed on single pole structures on public and private property. CIPCO will seek easement rights from landowners for the proposed electric transmission line. The easement width requested will generally be a Twenty-five (25) foot wide strip of land either side of the centerline of the proposed transmission line.

**In accordance with the Iowa Code, an Informational Meeting concerning this project will be held at the following time and location:**

**2:00 P.M. on November 3, 2016**

Charlotte Area Activity Center  
115 1<sup>st</sup> Street/Highway 136  
Charlotte, IA

**Persons with disabilities requiring assistive services or devices to observe or participate should contact the Utilities Board at (515) 725-7300 in advance of the scheduled date to request that appropriate arrangements be made.**

As a landowner or a party in possession of, or residing on property, affected by the location and construction of said electric transmission line, you have the right to be present at the Informational Meeting mentioned above.

You also have the right to file with the Iowa Utilities Board, 1375 E. Court Ave., Room 69, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0069, objections to the location and construction of the proposed electric transmission line as described.

A representative of the Iowa Utilities Board (Utilities Board) will preside over this Informational Meeting and will distribute and review a statement of the legal rights of landowners as required by law. Qualified representatives of CIPCO will also be at the meeting to discuss the project and answer your questions.

The notification corridor and the proposed route for the transmission line are shown on the enclosed map, which is made a part of this notification by reference. The route is generally

described as follows:

**Beginning at an interconnection point with a proposed Central Iowa Power Cooperative 69 kV transmission line (the line to which the franchised line is interconnecting extends north and west to the Maquoketa Substation located in Section Twenty-six (26), Township Eighty-four (84) North, Range Four (4) East of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Jackson County, Iowa , which is the Ultimate West Terminus) located in private right-of-way near the Northwest Quarter Corner of Section Five (5), Township Eighty-three (83) North, Range Four (4) East of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Clinton County, Iowa; thence Southeasterly in private right-of-way parallel and adjacent to the easterly right-of-way of 290<sup>th</sup> Avenue to a point in the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of Section Five (5), Township Eighty-three (83) North, Range Four (4) East approximately Twenty-four hundredths (0.24) of a mile; thence Southerly in private right-of-way parallel and adjacent to the easterly right-of-way of 290<sup>th</sup> Avenue to a point in the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of Section Five (5), Township Eighty-three (83) North, Range Four (4) East approximately Seven hundredths (0.07) of a mile; thence Southeasterly in private right-of-way parallel and adjacent to the easterly right-of-way of 290<sup>th</sup> Avenue to a point in the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of Section Five (5), Township Eighty-three (83) North, Range Four (4) East approximately Thirteen hundredths (0.13) of a mile; thence Southerly in private right-of-way parallel and adjacent to the easterly right-of-way of 290<sup>th</sup> Avenue to a point in the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of Section Five (5), Township Eighty-three (83) North, Range Four (4) East approximately Four hundredths (0.04) of a mile; thence Southwesterly in private right-of-way parallel and adjacent to the easterly right-of-way of 290<sup>th</sup> Avenue to a point in the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of Section Five (5), Township Eighty-three (83) North, Range Four (4) East approximately Three Tenths (0.30) of a mile; thence Southerly in private right-of-way parallel and adjacent to the easterly right-of-way of 290<sup>th</sup> Avenue crossing 120<sup>th</sup> Street to a point in the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of Section Seventeen (17), Township Eighty-three (83) North, Range Four (4) East approximately Two and two hundredths (2.02) miles; thence westerly in public right-of way crossing said 290<sup>th</sup> Avenue to a point in private right-of-way located in the Southeast Quarter (SE ¼) of Section Eighteen (18), Township Eighty-three (83) North, Range Four (4) East approximately Two hundredths (0.02) of a mile; thence Southerly in private right-of-way parallel and adjacent to the westerly right-of-way of 290<sup>th</sup> Avenue to a point located on End User Property at the Delmar REC Substation ( South Terminus) in the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼) of the Southeast Quarter (SE ¼) of Section Eighteen (18), Township Eighty-three (83) North, Range Four (4) East of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Clinton County, Iowa approximately Two hundredths (0.02) of a mile**

**(2.84 miles total)**

Under Iowa law, CIPCO is not allowed to negotiate easements prior to the Informational Meeting. Following the meeting, right-of-way personnel from CIPCO will begin

contacting landowners to negotiate voluntary easements. Later, CIPCO will file a petition for an electric transmission line franchise with the Utilities Board for permission to build and operate the electric transmission line. The Utilities Board will determine if the proposed electric transmission line promotes the public convenience and necessity and meets all other applicable Utilities Board rules and requirements of Iowa law. After the Utilities Board has reviewed the petition for Franchise it may conduct a public hearing and landowners have a right to participate in the hearing process. Notice of a public hearing will be published in a Clinton County newspaper with county wide circulation.

There is the possibility that right-of-way may be acquired by condemnation if approved by the Utilities Board. At this time, the petitioner does not have the right of eminent domain. If eminent domain is requested by the petitioner, the request will be considered at the public hearing conducted by the Utilities Board and the petitioner must show that property is needed to serve a public use. If the petitioner requests the right of eminent domain a notice of the public hearing will be sent by return receipt mail to all affected landowners in addition to the notice being published in a Clinton County newspaper with county wide circulation.

CIPCO looks forward to discussing this project in more detail with you at the Informational Meeting. For more information regarding the Informational Meeting, please contact me at the phone number below.

If you are unable to attend the meeting in Clinton County, an additional meeting will be held in Jackson County at 5:30 P.M. on November 3, 2016, at the Clinton Community College Maquoketa Center located at 501 W. Washington St. Maquoketa, IA. You are welcome to attend the Jackson County meeting to obtain information about this multi-county project.

In the event of inclement weather, determined by the cancellation or early dismissal of school/classes in the Maquoketa school District due to weather on the date of the Informational meeting, the meeting will be held on November 10, 2016, at the same time and location.

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Enclosures